GUNS ON THE GRASSY KNOLL ... congratulations David Lifton: #12 on the NYTimes Best-Seller list, Sunday II/15/81 ... Chris Sharrett (120 E. State St, Doylestown, PA, 18901) sent this mini-review ....

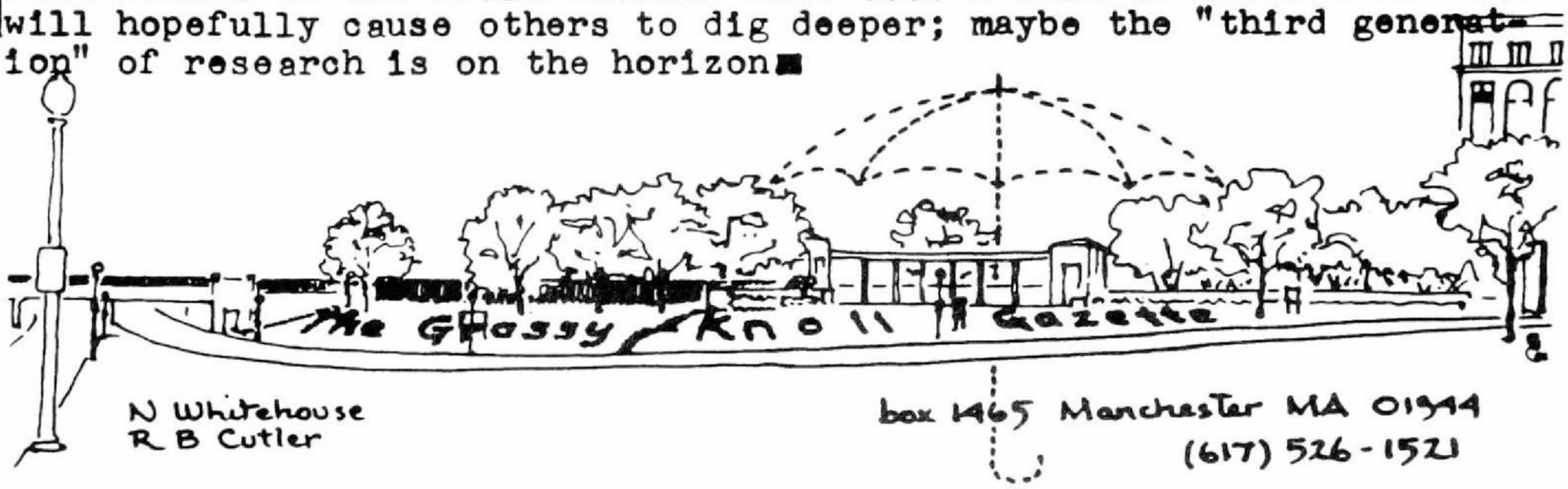
BEST EVIDENCE : Disguises and Deception in the Assassination of John F Kennedy by David Lifton (MacMillan, NY, 1981)

Anyone familiar with Lifton's research will not be surprised by this well-advertised and justly-prised study concentrating on the facts of the official autopsy. Lifton has long contended that the wound to the President's head was caused by a single shot fired from the grassy knoll (which should send this newsletter's Compressor reaching for the valium). Lifton has also been in the vanguard of the critics asserting the primary autopsy materials have been falsified.

In Best Evidence he takes this thesis a step or two further than most critics who by and large state that the X-rays and autopsy photos were tampered with. Through good documentation and some credible interviews Lifton builds his case for the President's body going thru special surgical procedure at Walter Reed Hospital before sending it to Bethesda for official autopsy. According to Lifton the head wound was altered and a bullet removed from the cranium. This scenario involves the use of several caskets, the falsification of numerous documents and the deception of such persons as President Johnson and Mrs Kennedy (at one point Lifton suggests Johnson's complicity).

Lifton is aware of how elaborate this scenario appears: the military surgeons would have needed the exact schematic of the shooting in order to make the wounds conform to the pre-established lone-assassin premise. Without getting into the whodunnit aspect of the controversy (which, to this reviewer is the only present issue) Lifton uses the evidence to make a strong case for a sophisticated military-intelligence coup, without so stating it as fact.

This is the most exhaustive work on the subject since Harold Weisberg's Post Mortem. It provides many answers to long-standing questions and helps fit together parts of the puzzle while also dealing with relevant tangential issues. A case in point is the missing brain. The most recent explanation (coming from G Robert Blakey) is that the brain was lost (destroyed, Comp.) while in Robert Kennedy's custody. Lifton argues that the brain was totally missing from the skull before the autopsy and the point is attested to by several interviews with medical personnel. If one accepts Lifton's thesis any question about the current status of the brain becomes moot .... A book as serious as this will hopefully cause others to dig deeper; maybe the "third generation" of research is on the horizon■



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(more Guns on the Grassy Knoll)
letter to the editor in response to Ed Magnuson's review of BEST EVIDENCE in Time, I/19/81 :

> Sir: .... it appears that Lifton's publisher is not aware of a substantial body of research which holds that no bullets struck the President from ahead of the limousine .... this body's version of Who Killed JFK? is not in the casket .... yet. R B C

from Rush Harp (box 69,Bearsville,NY,12409):

> .... you must read it .... it solves a lot of our problems .... I was jumping up and down on every page ....

in a pinch this Compressor could eschew scotch for rum but would not ever consider running on valium .... Crossfire 80 is the graphic replica of The Conspiracy's Executive Action■

THERE IS A MOTORCYCLE OFFICER UP ON STEMMONS WITH HIS MIC STUCK OPEN ON CHANNEL ONE .... DPTape, Channel Two Dispatcher

Study by Anthony J Pellicano (1107 Mannheim Rd, Westchester, IL,60153) JFK Exhibit F-680, HSCA V pp 652-670, XII/13/78

> ....B. it is concluded that the motorcycle with the open microphone on Channel #1 was not a part of the motorcade but was, in fact, located along the route of the motorcade from Dealey Plaza to Parkland Hospital. (dated 16 days before HSCA's photographic experts pinned the open-mic rap on H B McLain)

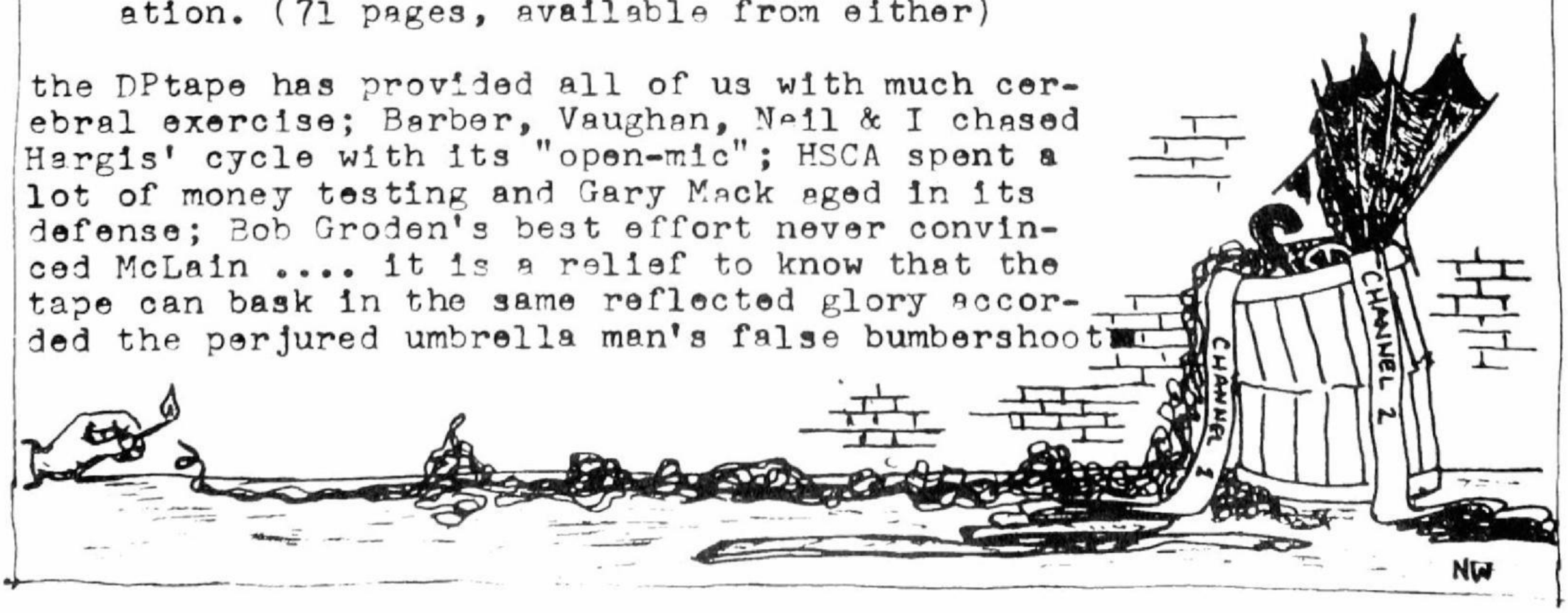
Review by FBI of HSCA Acoustical Reports, XI/19/80

> .... there is no proof provided by BBN, Weiss and Aschkenasy that the four patterns of the DPD recording represent gunshot blasts .... therefore the Committee's finding that "scientific acoustical evidence established a high probability that two gunmen fired at President John F Kennedy" is invalid. (24 pages)

Study by Todd Vaughan (903 W.Washington, Jackson,MI,49203) coordinates with Steve Barber's research (55 Marvin,Shelby,OH,44875) XII/14/80

> ....the open mic can be located by listening to the tape.... the events on Channel 1... indicates the cycle with the Open-mic was not in the motorcade but somewhere on Stemmons Freeway .... there is evidence proving that the tape itself was not of the assassination. (71 pages, available from either)

the DPtape has provided all of us with much cerebral exercise; Barber, Vaughan, Neil & I chased Hargis' cycle with its "open-mic"; HSCA spent a lot of money testing and Gary Mack aged in its defense; Bob Groden's best effort never convinced McLain .... it is a relief to know that the tape can bask in the same reflected glory accorded the perjured umbrella man's false bumbershoot■



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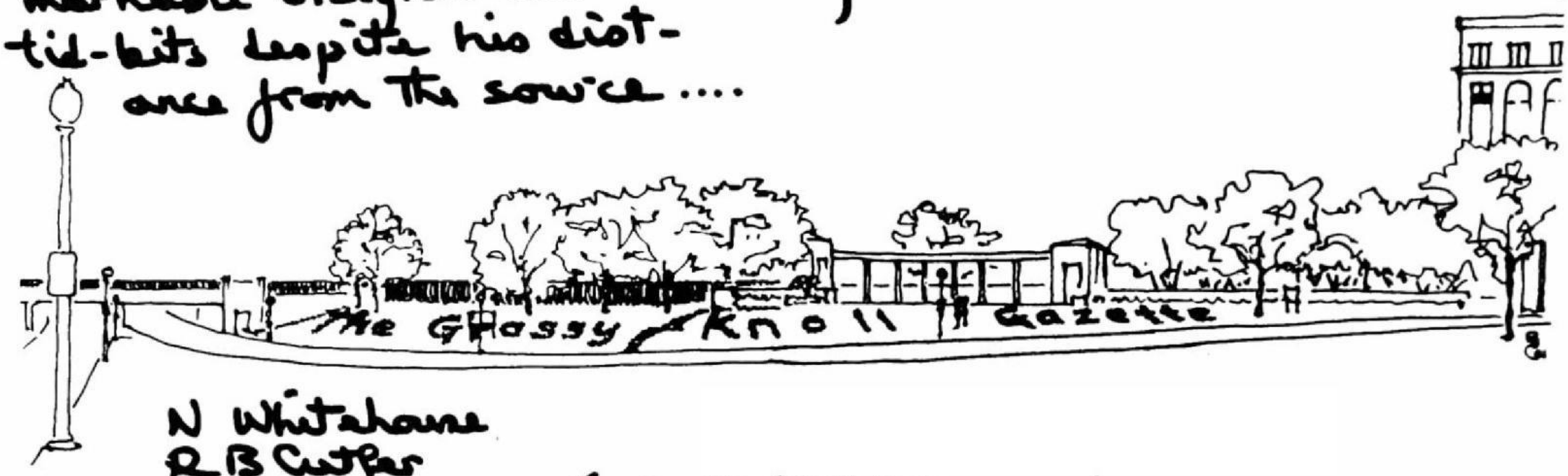

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